

that they are a key component in the overall force structure.

While the recent focus has and will continue to be on Iraq, it is important to remember that are U.S. armed forces are serving admirably all over the world, and more and more is continually asked of them. Members of the armed forces have been serving for the past seventeen months in the ongoing operations to root out terrorism, and their continued work in Afghanistan, South Korea and other hot spots are just part of their service. Whether providing vital counter-narcotics assistance, training the militaries of other nations in counter-terrorism measures or serving the United States at home, our men and women have made sacrifices that go beyond the call of normal duty.

In conclusion, as we move forward in this war against terrorism, let us remember those who have served us in the past, those who have lost their lives while protecting our nation, and the sacrifices the families of military personnel have made. All members of the U.S. Armed Services, in my State of Delaware and around the world, must be recognized for their outstanding and courageous service in these uncertain times. With passage of this resolution today, we express the gratitude of our Nation.

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the resolution. Not too long ago, I returned from Afghanistan, and other Central Asian countries, where I met with our troops on the front lines of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Mr. Speaker, Americans can be very proud of the men and women serving our country in Central Asia. They are true professionals, doing their jobs in very difficult conditions. Troops we met with were in good spirits and morale is high. Yes, our soldiers want to come home—several told me how they miss their wife and kids—but above all they want to finish their mission.

In the coming weeks, U.S. forces may be asked to face combat in the Middle East. No one wants war. If military conflict does come, you can be sure that we have the very best serving our country. They are the latest in a long line of men and women who have served our country with distinction, and to whom we owe our freedom.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. OSE). Pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, March 4, 2003, the joint resolution is considered read for amendment, and the previous question is ordered.

The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the joint resolution.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the joint resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the yeas appeared to have it.

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 743, de novo;

H.R. 1047, by the yeas and nays;

House Joint Resolution 27, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I wanted to be clear on H.R. 743. Does the Chair have us for a record vote? If not, I will ask for a record vote at this time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will put the question de novo.

SOCIAL SECURITY PROTECTION ACT OF 2003

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 743, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. SHAW) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 743, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 249, nays 180, not voting 5, as follows:

[Roll No. 44]

YEAS—249

Abercrombie	Burr	Diaz-Balart, L.
Aderholt	Burton (IN)	Diaz-Balart, M.
Akin	Buyer	Doolittle
Bachus	Calvert	Dreier
Baker	Camp	Duncan
Ballenger	Cannon	Dunn
Barrett (SC)	Cantor	Ehlers
Bartlett (MD)	Capito	Emerson
Barton (TX)	Capuano	English
Bass	Cardin	Eshoo
Beauprez	Carson (OK)	Everett
Bereuter	Castle	Feeney
Berry	Chabot	Ferguson
Bilirakis	Chocola	Flake
Bishop (NY)	Coble	Fletcher
Bishop (UT)	Cole	Foley
Blackburn	Collins	Forbes
Blunt	Cooper	Fossella
Boehrlert	Cox	Franks (AZ)
Boehner	Crane	Frelinghuysen
Bonner	Crenshaw	Gallegly
Bono	Cubin	Garrett (NJ)
Boozman	Cunningham	Gerlach
Boswell	Davis (TN)	Gibbons
Bradley (NH)	Davis, Jo Ann	Gilchrest
Brady (TX)	Davis, Tom	Gillmor
Brown (SC)	Deal (GA)	Gingrey
Brown-Waite,	DeLay	Goode
Ginny	DeMint	Goodlatte

Goss	McCollum	Royce
Graves	McCotter	Ryan (WI)
Green (WI)	McCrery	Ryun (KS)
Greenwood	McHugh	Sabo
Gutknecht	McInnis	Saxton
Harris	McIntyre	Schrock
Hart	Meehan	Sensenbrenner
Hastings (WA)	Mica	Sessions
Hayes	Miller (FL)	Shadegg
Hayworth	Miller (MI)	Shaw
Hefley	Miller, Gary	Shays
Herger	Miller, George	Sherwood
Hobson	Moore	Shimkus
Hoekstra	Moran (KS)	Shuster
Holden	Murphy	Simmons
Hostettler	Musgrave	Simpson
Houghton	Myrick	Smith (MI)
Hulshof	Nethercutt	Smith (NJ)
Hunter	Ney	Smith (TX)
Hyde	Northup	Smith (WA)
Isakson	Norwood	Souder
Issa	Nunes	Stearns
Istook	Nussle	Sullivan
Janklow	Obey	Tancredo
Jenkins	Osborne	Tanner
Johnson (CT)	Ose	Tauzin
Johnson (IL)	Otter	Taylor (MS)
Johnson, Sam	Oxley	Taylor (NC)
Jones (NC)	Pascarell	Thomas
Jones (OH)	Pearce	Tiahrt
Keller	Pence	Tiberi
Kelly	Peterson (PA)	Tierney
Kennedy (MN)	Petri	Toomey
Kind	Pickering	Turner (OH)
King (IA)	Pitts	Udall (CO)
King (NY)	Platts	Udall (NM)
Kirk	Pombo	Upton
Kline	Pomeroy	Visclosky
Knollenberg	Porter	Vitter
Kolbe	Portman	Walden (OR)
LaHood	Pryce (OH)	Walsh
Latham	Putnam	Wamp
LaTourette	Quinn	Weiner
Leach	Radanovich	Weldon (FL)
Lewis (CA)	Ramstad	Weldon (PA)
Lewis (KY)	Regula	Weller
Linder	Rehberg	Whitfield
Lipinski	Renzi	Wicker
LoBiondo	Reynolds	Wilson (NM)
Lowe	Rogers (AL)	Wilson (SC)
Lucas (KY)	Rogers (KY)	Wolf
Lucas (OK)	Rogers (MI)	Young (AK)
Manzullo	Rohrabacher	Young (FL)
Matsui	Ros-Lehtinen	
McCarthy (NY)	Rothman	

NAYS—180

Ackerman	DeGette	Jackson-Lee
Alexander	Delahunt	(TX)
Allen	DeLauro	Jefferson
Andrews	Deutsch	John
Baca	Dicks	Johnson, E. B.
Baird	Dingell	Kanjorski
Baldwin	Doggett	Kaptur
Ballance	Dooley (CA)	Kennedy (RI)
Becerra	Doyle	Kildee
Bell	Edwards	Kilpatrick
Berkley	Emanuel	Kingston
Berman	Engel	Klecza
Biggert	Etheridge	Kucinich
Bishop (GA)	Evans	Lampson
Blumenauer	Farr	Langevin
Bonilla	Fattah	Lantos
Boucher	Filner	Larsen (WA)
Boyd	Ford	Larson (CT)
Brady (PA)	Frank (MA)	Lee
Brown (OH)	Frost	Levin
Brown, Corrine	Gonzalez	Lewis (GA)
Burgess	Gordon	Lofgren
Burns	Granger	Lynch
Capps	Green (TX)	Majette
Cardoza	Grijalva	Maloney
Carson (IN)	Gutierrez	Markey
Carter	Hall	Marshall
Case	Harman	Matheson
Clay	Hastings (FL)	McCarthy (MO)
Clyburn	Hensarling	McDermott
Combust	Hill	McGovern
Conyers	Hinchey	McKeon
Costello	Hinojosa	McNulty
Cramer	Hoeffel	Meek (FL)
Crowley	Holt	Meeks (NY)
Culberson	Honda	Menendez
Cummings	Hooley (OR)	Michaud
Davis (AL)	Hoyer	Miller (NC)
Davis (CA)	Inslee	Mollohan
Davis (FL)	Israel	Moran (VA)
Davis (IL)	Jackson (IL)	
DeFazio		